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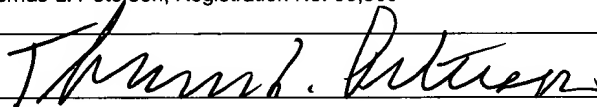
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Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement mailed March 26, 2003, applicants elect Group II, claims 1-16, with traverse.

REMARKS

Applicant has elected with traverse Group II, claims 1-16. It is submitted, however, that both the Group I claims and the Group II claims are directed to the same invention and that applicant is entitled to both claim sets in this application.

Applicant's position is based on the fact that both claim sets relate to the same subject matter that would be classified in the same areas with respect to the examination of this application. Accordingly, it is not believed to be a burden on the examiner in examining both claim sets together. For these reasons, the elections of Group II claims are traverse.